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FOLLOWING IS JOINT-COMMUNIQUE TO BE ISSUED BY FONMIN KIM ONG JO AND SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ALLAN J. MACEACHEN AT CONCLUSION OF LATTER'S VISIT TO SEOUL JUNE 27.

BEGIN TEXT QUOTE: AT THE INVITATION OF HIS
EXCELLENCY KIM DONG-JO, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THE HONOURABLE ALLAN J.
MACEACHEN, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
OF CANADA, MADE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE REPUBLIC
OF KOREA ON JUNE 26 AND 27, 1975. DURING HIS VISIT
TO SEOUL, THE CANADIAN MINISTER HELD DISCUSSION WITH
FOREIGN MINISTER KIM IN A FRANK AND FRIENDLY ATMOSPERE
OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING. MR. MACEACHEN ALSO HAD
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INTERVIEWS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY PARK CHUNG HEE, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND WITH HIS EXCELLENCY PRIME MINISTER KIM JONG PIL. THE CANADIAN SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS NOTED THAT THIS WAS

THE FIRST VISIT OF A CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO KOREA AND EXPRESSED HIS DEEP GRATITUDE TO THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR THE FRIENDLY AND HOSPITABLE TREATMENT EXTENDED TO HIM DURING HIS VISIT.

THE TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS HAD A VERY USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE WORLD SITUATION AND REVIEWED THE STATE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND CANADA. IN THE COURSE OF DISCUSSION, THE MINISTERS PLACED PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE SITUATION IN THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND AGREED ON THE URGENT NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO ENSURE CONTINUED PEACE AND SECURITY IN THIS AREA. THE MINISTERS WENT ON TO DISCUSS THE KOREAN QUESTION IN THE UNITED NATIONS, AND MR. MACEACHEN RENEWED HIS ASSURANCES OF CANADIAN SUPPORT FOR THE POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND ITS EFFORTS TO WORK TOWARDS PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION ON THE BASIS OF THE FREELY EXPRESSED WILL OF THE KOREAN PEOPLE.

THE TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS EXPRESSED MUTUAL SATISFACTION AT THE REMARKABLE GROWTH OF BILATERAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND CANADA IN ALL FIELDS, PARTICULARLY IN TRADE AND INVESTMENT IN THE PAST FEW YEARS. THE MINISTERS AGREED THAT THIS TREND SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED AND THAT FURTHER EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO BROADEN THE SCOPE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THE TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS ALSO REVIEWED THE CURRENT STATE OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ACQUISITION BY THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA OF A CANADIAN NUCLEAR POWER REACTOR. MR. MACEACHEN NOTED THAT CANADA WAS COMMITTED TO COOPERATE IN THE SHARING OF THE BENEFITS OF NUCLEAR ENERGY UNDER THE MOST EFFECTIVE SAFEGUARDS. THE TWO MINISTERS LOOKED FORWARD TO THE EARLY CONCLUSION OF A BILATERAL SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA ANDNCANADA WHICH WOULD INCORPORATE THE SAFEGUARDS REQUIRED BY CANADIAN POLICY TO ENSURE THAT ANY ASSISTANCE PROVIDED WOULD BE USED SOLELY FOR PEACEFUL, NON-EXPLOSIVE PURPOSES.

THE CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SAID THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WAS PLEASED THAT THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA GOVERNMENT HAD EARLIER IN THE YEAR RATIFIED THE NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY. FOREIGN MINISTER KIM ASSURED MR. MACEACHEN THAT THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WOULD HONOUR ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY NOT TO MANUFACTURE

OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE NUCLEAR WEAPONS OR OTHER NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES.

FOREIGN MINISTER KIM AND MINISTER MACEACHEN
SHARED THE VIEW THAT CLOSE CONTACT AND CONSULTATION
BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE HIGHLY DESIRABLE FOR
MUTUAL BENEFIT AND AGREED TO MEET FREQUENTLY IN THE
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